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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: M. EZUMI, et al.
Application No.: 10/084,417
Filed: February 28, 2002
For: FRICTION STIR WELDING METHOD AND METHOD
FOR MANUFACTURING A CAR BODY
Art Unit: 1725
Examiner: J. J. Johnson

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 24, 2003

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a third-month time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed May 29, 2003. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 648.40349VX3) and any excess fees credited to that account.

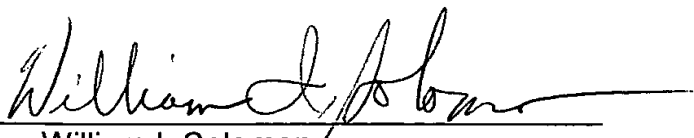
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